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Dear Chairman & Commissioners,

This year marked the 30th anniversary of the founding of the Black Chamber of Commerce of Orange County California. Since our founding, we've been working to promote Black enterprise and economic development to promote economic survival, self-determination, and success for all members of the African-American community. In the past few months, I have learned more about Comcast's good corporate citizenship, and commitment to the welfare and progress of the African-American community. We look forward to the prospect of Comcast service here in Orange County, and I write to you today in support of the proposed Comcast-Time Warner Cable transaction.

I understand that Comcast has a robust operation here in California already. I was particularly impressed not just by Comcast's wide, over 2-million-strong customer base, but by their commitment to the sort of innovation that will improve our business climate for all Californians. The company has invested almost \$10 billion in tech and infrastructure in the state since 1996. That outstanding commitment makes growth for all sectors possible, including my own community. The company's most commonly used broadband tier is significantly speedier than that of Time Warner. The Xfinity hotspot network blankets Comcast-served municipalities, and gives residents and businesses access to speedy service on-the-go. Comcast's offerings are now all-digital. The company has planned to install that upgrade for its acquired Time Warner Cable markets, like ours.

Our chamber is also interested in growth through competition. In response to hefty investments like those I have outlined above, competitor companies should have every reason to expand the quality of their own services. I understand that AT&T has already announced new broadband investment to better compete.

The company's dedication to service to its communities has gone beyond its broadband and cable offerings. Comcast and its employees engage in sustainable, meaningful partnerships that help empower our communities. The company also has consistently demonstrated a commitment to inclusion and diversity in its hiring practices. Comcast has repeatedly been rated a top place to work for people of color, who make up almost 40% of the company's workforce. The company has clearly been proud to promote African-Americans to leadership positions; people of color accounted for 25% of hirings at the VP level and higher last year.

We hope that this track record of reliable innovative service grounded in inclusive community service and diverse hiring practices is enabled to expand. Please approve that transaction to empower our residents and entrepreneurs here in Orange County.

Respectfully yours,

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